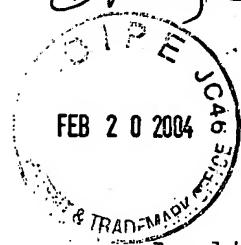


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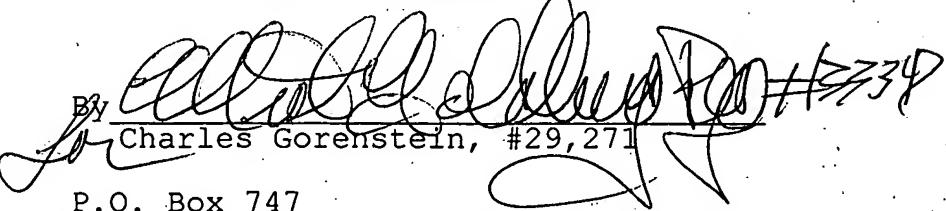
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- The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.
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This is a Reply to the Restriction (Election of Species) Requirement dated February 2, 2004.

This Paper includes:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper;

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper;

**Remarks** begin on page 18 of this paper; and

An **Appendix**, including a new **Abstract**, is attached following page 19 of this paper.